## MEMORANDUM

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 2(A)

TO:

Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

July 21, 2004

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

**SUBJECT** 

Resolution relating to

SBA Microloan Program

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Jimmy L. Morales.

County Attorney

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Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.

DATE:

September 9, 2004

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

Please	note any items checked.
	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
-	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	<u>Mayor</u>	Agenda Item No.
Veto		9-9-04
Override	4.	
R	RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION URGING THE PRESIDENT AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO RESTORE FUNDING TO THE UNITED STATES SMALL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (SBA) MICROLOAN PROGRAM AS PART OF THE 2005 FEDERAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, President Bush has eliminated funding for the United States Small Business Administration ("SBA") microloan program from the 2005 federal budget; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Implementation Plan for Miami-Dade County ("the Plan") prepared by Florida International University Metropolitan Center identifies access to private capital as one of the primary impediments to economic development in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the Plan also states that entrepreneurial development is severely lacking in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, SBA microloan programs assist low income individuals, minority entrepreneurs, and other newly established or growing small business concerns which need small amounts of financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, SBA microloan programs provide marketing, management, and technical assistance to newly established, or growing small business concerns; and

WHEREAS, SBA microloan programs encourage the growth and development of small businesses and increase employment opportunities; and

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WHEREAS, small loans and technical assistance to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns are not adequately served through traditional financing systems; and

WHEREAS, the SBA microloan program (also referred to as the 7(a) loan program) is responsible for 40% of all long-term small business lending in the country, and

WHEREAS, women, rural small business, inner-city small businesses and startup small businesses will be disproportionately hurt by these cuts,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board urges President Bush and the U.S. Congress to restore funding for the SBA microloan programs in the FY 2005 federal budget.

Section 2. The Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to President Bush, the U.S. Congress and the Miami-Dade County federal legislative delegation.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Jimmy L. Morales and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler, Chairperson Katy Sorenson, Vice-Chairperson

Bruno A. Barreiro
Betty T. Ferguson
Joe A. Martinez
Dennis C. Moss
Natacha Seijas
Sen. Javier D. Souto

Jose "Pepe" Diaz Sally A. Heyman Jimmy L. Morales Dorrin D. Rolle Rebeca Sosa

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2004. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Shannon D. Summerset

